## 2013 No. 1225

## **ROAD TRAFFIC**

The A1 Trunk Road (Morpeth Bypass) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013

Made		-	-	7th March 2013
Coming int	to forc	e -	-	16th March 2013

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1 Trunk Road and connecting roads, in the County of Northumberland, is satisfied that traffic on that trunk road and some of those connecting roads should be restricted and prohibited because carriageway crossover construction works are proposed to be executed thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), makes the following Order: -

**1.** This Order may be cited as the A1 Trunk Road (Morpeth Bypass) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 16th March 2013.

**2.** In this Order;

"the A1" means the A1 Trunk Road;

"the northbound carriageway" means the A1 northbound carriageway from a point 800 metres north of the centreline of the B6524 underbridge northwards for a distance of 2500 metres;

"the southbound carriageway" means the A1 southbound carriageway from a point 150 metres north of the centreline of the overbridge at the A697 Warreners House Interchange southwards for a distance of 4200 metres;

"the slip road" means the A1 southbound entry slip road at Warreners House Interchange;

"a layby" means an area of carriageway intended for the waiting of vehicles, bounded partly by a road marking on the outer edge of that carriageway complying with diagram 1010 in Schedule 6 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002(**b**); and in this definition "carriageway" means any way (other than a cycle track) comprised in the A1 over which the public have a right of way for the passage of vehicles and which has a surface suitable for the exercise of that right;

"the works period" means the period starting at 00:01 hours on Sunday 17th March 2013 and ending when the said works have been completed;

and a reference to an article followed by a number is a reference to the article in this Order which bears that number.

**3.** Subject as mentioned in article 5 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the northbound carriageway, the southbound carriageway or the slip road.

<sup>(</sup>a) 1984 c.27; a new section 14 was substituted by the Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 1991 (c.26), section 1(1) and Schedule 1.

**<sup>(</sup>b)** S.I. 2002/3113. Part I.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in article 5 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait in a layby situated adjacent to the A1:

- (i) northbound carriageway approximately 1000 metres north of Stannington Interchange or 750 metres north of the B6343 underbridge; or
- (ii) southbound carriageway approximately 450 metres south of Lane Head Farm Junction, 60 metres north of Warreners House Interchange or 720 metres north of the B6343 underbridge.

**5.** The provisions of articles 3 and 4 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs. Nothing in article 4 shall apply to:

- (a) a vehicle being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes;
- (b) a vehicle being used for, or in connection with, the said works, or for winter maintenance or traffic officer purposes; or
- (c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform;

and nothing in article 3 shall apply to any vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (a) of this article.

**6.** No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

7th March 2013

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.